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MINUTES

COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

SEPTEMBER 14, 1976

The Council of Academic Deans meeting was held in the Office of Academic Affairs on September 14, 1976 at 10:20 a.m. Members present were Deans Sandefur, Davis, Russell, Hourigan, Gray, Jenkins, Chelf, Mounce, Hardin and Corts. Dr. Clayton Riley was a guest at the meeting.

Before beginning discussion on the agenda items, Dr. Davis asked Dr. Clayton Riley to make several comments relative to Western's Cooperative Education Program and proposal.

As the first item on the agenda, Dr. Davis asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes; there being none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

Dr. Davis introduced the item concerning the recommendation of the creation of an ad hoc committee of the Council to study matters related to additional compensation for academic administrators. Dr. Davis requested the Deans comments and discussion on this matter. Dr. Jenkins suggested that it might be helpful to include the matter concerning a vacation policy for administrators on a twelve-month contract as a part of this study. Dr. Corts moved and Dr. Mounce seconded the motion to establish such a committee in keeping with the printed recommendation circulated with the agenda. Dr. Hardin requested clarification that 39 faculty in the Area of Academic Services who are on a twelve-month contract should not be included in this study. Dr. Davis indicated that he agreed with this. Dr. Sandefur moved and Dr. Mounce seconded a substitute motion that the Council of Academic Deans go on record with a resolution that academic administrators should be considered as faculty in relation to these policies as outlined on pages 52 and 53 of the Faculty-Staff Handbook. The substitution motion passed. After additional discussion on this matter, Dr. Davis indicated that he would like to set up a special ad hoc subcommittee of the Council to review present policies enumerated on pages 52 and 53 of the Faculty-Staff Handbook and suggest possible recommendations to the Council of Academic Deans as necessary. Dr. Davis asked Dr. Marvin Russell to serve as chairman and requested that Drs. Hardin, Corts and Chelf serve with Dr. Russell on this special subcommittee.

On the second item on the agenda, Dr. Chelf indicated that the material presented was basically for information and that he would appreciate receiving any responses or suggestions which individual Deans might have.

On the next item of business, Dr. Mounce elaborated on his statement which had been placed in memorandum form to the Council of Academic Deans. After considerable discussion by the Deans on this subject, Dr. Davis indicated that he would like to send this material to the General Education Committee for their use in the special study which is being conducted during the fall semester 1976.

Dr. Elmer Gray reported on his suggestion that there be some type of annual publication recognizing scholarly achievements and service activities of faculty members. Dr. Jenkins indicated that he felt that all the material was already available and being collected as a part of the reporting procedures of the Program Status Report. Dr. Davis asked Dr. Gray to meet with him to explore ways in which this idea might be implemented.

Dr. Davis requested that any Dean who had a possible non-reappointment situation within their college should contact him before Friday, September 17, 1976.

Dr. Davis indicated that President Downing had agreed to send him complete materials of a non-executive nature relative to the Board of Regents agenda, and Dr. Davis will work with the Deans in keeping them informed on matters on the Board's agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P. R. Corts", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul R. Corts

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